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LB 539, 540, 541

CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 1864.)
41 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, 7 excused and not voting.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill is passed with the emergency clause attached. Mr. Clerk, LB 540E.

CLERK: (Read LB 540 on Final Reading.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall the bill pass with the emergency clause attached? Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: (Record vote read, Legislative Journal page 1865.)
43 ayes, 0 nays, 6 excused and not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill passes with the emergency clause attached. Mr. Clerk, LB 541.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Dierks would move to return the bill for a specific amendment. (AM1717, Legislative Journal page 1746.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Dierks, you're recognized to open on your amendment to return LB 541.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I filed this motion for purposes of discussing the matter that I hope the Ag Committee will focus on this summer in the interim. I'm introducing a study resolution on the issue underlying the amendment I've filed on this bill. LB 541 transfers a total of \$500,000 over the biennium from two cash funds within the Department of Agriculture, the Weights and Measures Administrative Cash Fund, and the Noxious Weeds Cash Fund, to the Livestock Waste Management Cash Fund within Department of Environmental Quality. The amendment I've filed to the bill and the A bill would accomplish the same result as the transfers, but instead will lower the General Fund appropriation to the Weights and Measures Division and the